

CITY OF JERSEY CITY

REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

LABOR/EMPLOYMENT LAW SERVICES

Contract Term: April 15, 2013 – April 14, 2014

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

5:00 P.M.

April 9, 2013

ADDRESS ALL PROPOSALS TO:

**William Matsikoudis
Corporation Counsel
Jersey City Law Department
City Hall
280 Grove Street, 3rd Floor
Jersey City, New Jersey 07302
201-547-65 45**

GENERAL INFORMATION & SUMMARY

ORGANIZATION REQUESTING STATEMENT OF QUALIFICATION

City of Jersey City
City Hall
280 Grove Street
Jersey City, NJ 07302

CONTACT PERSON

Michael Dougherty
Assistant Corporation Counsel
City Hall
280 Grove Street
Jersey City, New Jersey 07302
201-547-4810

PURPOSE OF REQUEST

The City of Jersey City (City) is requesting qualification statements from qualified individuals to provide Labor/Employment Law Services. Proposals will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ). Using this RFQ, the City of Jersey City intends to establish a pool of attorneys who will be available to provide legal services as needed during the contract term. One or more individuals/firms may be selected to provide services. If selected, the governing body will approve a resolution awarding a contract to the attorney based on an hourly rate of compensation not to exceed \$125.00 and for a sum not to exceed a specified amount.

PERIOD OF QUALIFICATION

April 15, 2013 through April 14, 2014.

CONTRACT FORM

If selected to provide services, the successful Respondent shall be required to execute a form contract, which includes indemnification, insurance, termination and licensing provisions. A complete copy of a draft City contract is available upon request.

It is also agreed and understood that the acceptance of the final payment shall be considered a release in full of all claims against the City arising out of, or by reason of, the work done and materials furnished under this Contract.

GLOSSARY

The following definitions shall apply to and are used in this Request for Qualifications (RFQ):

"City" - refers to the City of Jersey City.

"Qualification Statement" - refers to the complete responses to this RFQ submitted by the Respondents.

"Qualified Respondent" - refers to those Respondents who (in the sole judgment of the City) have satisfied the qualification criteria set forth in this RFQ.

"RFQ" - refers to this Request for Qualifications, including any amendments thereof or supplements thereto.

"Respondent" or "Respondents" - refers to the interested persons and/or firm(s) that submit a Qualification Statement.

"Period of Qualification" – refers to the period (April 15, 2013 – April 14, 2014) during which a successful Respondent will remain eligible for services under the terms of this RFQ.

SECTION 1

INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL INFORMATION

1.1. Introduction and Purpose.

The City is soliciting Qualification Statements from interested persons and/or firms for the provision of services, as more particularly described herein. Through the RFQ process described herein, persons and/or firms interested in assisting the City with the provision of such services must prepare and submit a Qualification Statement in accordance with the procedure and schedule in this RFQ. The City will review Qualification Statements only from those persons and/or firms that submit a Qualification Statement which includes all information required to be included as described herein (in the sole judgment of the City).

The City intends to qualify person(s) and/or firm(s) that:

- a. possess the professional, financial and administrative capabilities to provide the proposed services; and
- b. will agree to work under the compensation terms and conditions determined by the city to provide the greatest benefit to the taxpayers of the City.

1.2. Procurement Process and Schedule.

The selection of Qualified Respondents is not subject to the bidding requirements of Local Public Contracts Law, N.J. S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. The selection is subject to the "New Jersey Local Unit Pay-to Play" Law, N.J. S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq. and Jersey City's "Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform" Ordinance 08-128 adopted on September 3, 2008. The City has structured a procurement process that seeks to obtain the desired results described above, while establishing a competitive process to assure that each person and/or firm is provided an equal opportunity to submit a Qualification Statement in response to the RFQ. Qualification Statements will be evaluated in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 5 of this RFQ, which will be applied in the same manner to each Qualification Statement received.

Qualification Statements will be reviewed and evaluated by the City's Corporation Counsel. The Qualification Statements will be reviewed to determine if the Respondent has met the minimum professional, administrative and financial requirements. Based upon the totality of the information contained in the Qualification Statement, including information about the reputation and experience of each Respondent, Corporation Counsel will determine which Respondents are qualified (professionally, administratively and financially) to provide the services.

The RFQ process commences with the issuance of this RFQ. The steps involved in the process and the anticipated completion dates are set forth in Table 1, Procurement Schedule. The City reserves the right to, among other things, amend, modify or alter the Procurement Schedule upon notice to all potential Respondents.

All communications concerning this RFQ or the RFQ process shall be directed to the City's Designated Contact Person, in writing.

Qualification Statements must be submitted to, and be received by the Law Department, via mail or hand delivery, by **5:00 p.m. prevailing time on April 9, 2013.** Qualification Statements will not be accepted by facsimile transmission or e-mail. Qualification Statements shall be opened in public in the Law Department Conference Room located on the third floor, Room 322 of City Hall, 280 Grove Street, Jersey City, New Jersey.

Subsequent to issuance of this RFQ, the City (through the issuance of addenda to all persons and/or firms that have received a copy of the RFQ) may modify, supplement or amend the provisions of this RFQ in order to respond to inquiries received from prospective Respondents or as otherwise deemed necessary or appropriate by (and in the sole judgment of) the City.

TABLE 1

ANTICIPATED PROCUREMENT SCHEDULE

ACTIVITY	DATE
1. Issuance of Request for Qualifications	March 25, 2013
2. Receipt of Qualification Statements	April 9, 2013
3. Completion of Evaluation of Qualification Statements	April 15, 2013
4. Designation of Qualified Respondents	April 15, 2013

1.3 Conditions Applicable to RFQ.

Upon submission of a Qualification Statement in response to this RFQ, the Respondent acknowledges and consents to the following conditions relative to the submission and review and consideration of its Qualification Statement:

1. This document is an RFQ and does not constitute a Request for Proposals (RFP).
2. This RFQ does not commit the City to issue an RFP.
3. All costs incurred by the Respondent in connection with responding to this RFQ shall be borne solely by the Respondent.
4. The City reserves the right (in its sole judgment) to reject for any reason any or all responses and components thereof and to eliminate any or all Respondents responding to this RFQ from further consideration for this procurement.

5. The City reserves the right (in its sole judgment) to reject any Respondent that submits incomplete responses to this RFQ, or a Qualification Statement that is not responsive to the requirements of this RFQ.

6. The City reserves the right, without prior notice, to supplement, amend, or otherwise modify this RFQ, or otherwise request additional information.

7. All Qualification Statements shall become the property of the City and will not be returned.

8. All Qualification Statements will be made available to the public at the appropriate time, as determined by the City (in the exercise of its sole discretion) in accordance with law.

9. The City may request Respondents to send representatives to the City for interviews.

10. Any and all Qualification Statements not received by the City by 5:00 p.m. prevailing time on April 9, 2013 will be rejected.

11. Neither the City nor its officers, officials or employees shall be liable for any claims or damages resulting from the solicitation or preparation of the Qualification Statement, nor will there be any reimbursement to Respondents for the cost of preparing and submitting a Qualification Statement or for participating in this procurement process.

1.4. Rights of City.

The City reserves, holds and may exercise, at its sole discretion, the following rights and options with regard to this RFQ and the procurement process in accordance with the provisions of applicable law:

1. To determine that any Qualification Statement received complies or fails to comply with the terms of this RFQ.

2. To supplement, amend or otherwise modify the RFQ through issuance of addenda to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFQ.

3. To waive any technical non-conformance with the terms of this RFQ.

4. To change or alter the schedule for any events called for in this RFQ upon the issuance of notice to all prospective Respondents who have received a copy of this RFQ.

5. To conduct investigations of any or all of the Respondents, as the City deems necessary or convenient, to clarify the information provided as part of the Qualification Statement and to request additional information to support the information included in any Qualification

Statement.

6. To suspend or terminate the procurement process described in this RFQ at any time (in its sole discretion.) If terminated, the City may determine to commence a new procurement process or exercise any other rights provided under applicable law without any obligation to the Respondents.

7. The City shall be under no obligation to complete all or any portion of the procurement process described in this RFQ.

1.5 Addenda or Amendments to RFQ.

During the period provided for the preparation of responses to the RFQ, the City may issue addenda, amendments or answers to written inquiries. Those addenda will be noticed by the City and will constitute a part of the RFQ. All responses to the RFQ shall be prepared with full consideration of the addenda issued prior to the Qualification Statement submission date.

1.6 Cost of Qualification Statement Preparation.

Each Qualification Statement and all information required to be submitted pursuant to the RFQ shall be prepared at the sole cost and expense of the Respondent. There shall be no claims whatsoever against the City, its officers, officials or employees for reimbursement for the payment of costs or expenses incurred in the preparation of the Qualification Statement or other information required by the RFQ.

1.7 Qualification Statement Format.

Qualification Statements must cover all information requested in this RFQ. Qualification Statements which in the judgment of the City fail to meet the requirements of the RFQ or which are in any way conditional, incomplete, obscure, contain additions or deletions from requested information, or contain errors may be rejected.

SECTION 2

SCOPE OF SERVICES

It is the intent of the City to solicit Qualification Statements from Respondents that have expertise in the provision of services as described below. Respondents must demonstrate that they will have the continuing capabilities to perform these services.

The Law Department of the City of Jersey City is seeking legal support from a law firm with

substantial experience in labor and employment law. Among the areas of legal representation sought by the City are 1) negotiation of labor contracts, 2) prosecution of employee disciplinary charges, 3) defense of the City in employment discrimination lawsuits, and 4) providing legal advice on issues concerning labor and employment law. Counsel will have a close working relationship with the City's Law Department.

Counsel will, on an "as needed" basis, be assigned and required to provide representation in all aspects of labor and employment law.

Counsel may be called upon to attend meetings.

Counsel may also be called upon to provide other types of legal services of a specialized nature.

SECTION 3

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

3.1 General Qualifications

The Qualification Statement submitted by the Respondent must meet or exceed the professional, administrative and financial qualifications set forth in this Section 3 and shall incorporate the information requested below.

In addition to the information required as described below, a Respondent may submit supplemental information that it feels may be useful in evaluating its Qualification Statement. Respondents are encouraged to be clear, factual, and concise in their presentation of information.

3.2 Administrative Information Requirements.

The Respondent shall, as part of its Qualification Statement, provide the following information:

1. An executive summary (not to exceed two (2) pages) of the information contained in all the other parts of the Qualification Statement.
2. An executed Letter of Qualification.
3. Name, address and telephone number of the Respondent submitting a Qualification Statement pursuant to this RFQ, and the name of the key contact person.
4. A description of the business organization (i.e., corporation, partnership, joint venture, etc.) of each Respondent, its ownership and its organizational structure.

a. Provide the names and business addresses of all Principals of the Respondent submitting the Qualification Statement. For purposes of this RFQ, "Principals" means persons possessing an ownership interest in the Respondent. If the Respondent is a corporation, "Principals" shall include each investor who has any operational control over the Respondent, and every stockholder having an ownership interest of 10% or more in the firm.

b. If a Respondent is a partially owned or a fully-owned subsidiary of another firm, identify the parent company and describe the nature and extent of the parent's approval rights over the activities of the Respondent submitting a Qualification Statement. Describe the approval process.

c. If the Respondent is a partnership or a joint venture or similar organization, provide comparable information as required in (b) above for each member of the partnership, joint venture or similar organization.

d. A statement that the Respondent has complied with all applicable affirmative action (or similar) requirements with respect to its business activities, together with evidence of such compliance.

e. The number of years Respondent has been in business under the present name.

5. The number of years Respondent has been under the current management.

6. Any judgments within the last three (3) years in which Respondent has been adjudicated liable for professional malpractice. If yes, please explain.

7. Whether the Respondent is now or has been involved in any bankruptcy or re-organization proceedings in the last ten (10) years. If yes, please explain.

8. Confirm appropriate federal and state licenses to perform activities.

9. An executed letter of intent.

3.3 Professional Information Requirements.

1. Respondent shall submit a description of its overall experience in providing the type of services sought in the RFQ. At a minimum, the following information on past experience should be included as appropriate to the RFQ:

- a. Description and scope of work by Respondent.
 - b. Name, address and contact information of reference to the RFQ.
 - c. Explanation of perceived relevance of the experience to the RFQ.
2. Brief description of Respondent's relevant clients including municipal government clients during the last three (3) years.
3. Resumes of key employees.
4. A narrative statement of the Respondent's understanding of the City's needs and goals.
5. List all immediate relatives of Principal(s) of Respondent who are City employees or elected officials of the City. For purposes of the above, "immediate relative" means a spouse, parent, stepparent, brother, sister, child, stepchild, direct-line aunt or uncle, grandparent, grandchild and in-laws.
6. Limits of Malpractice insurance coverage.
7. A listing of all other engagements where services of the types being proposed were provided in the past five (5) years. This should include other municipal governments and other levels of government. Contact information for the recipients of the similar services must be provided. The City may obtain references from any of the parties listed.
8. Respondents must demonstrate a proven record of cases tried before the Federal District Court for the District of New Jersey and/or demonstrate a proven record of cases tried or argued at the trial level and in the Appellate Divisions of the Superior Court of New Jersey.
9. Respondents must list all cases where they represented the City or in which they sued the City or in which they represented a client that sued the City.

SECTION 4
INSTRUCTIONS TO RESPONDENTS

Submission of Qualification Statements

Respondents must submit an original and two (2) copies of their Qualification Statement to the Designated Contact Person:

Qualification Statements must be received by the City no later than 5 pm prevailing time on April 9, 2013, and must be mailed or hand-delivered. Qualification Statements forwarded by facsimile or e-mail will not be accepted.

To be responsive, Qualification Statements must provide all requested information, and must be in strict conformance with the instructions set forth herein. Qualification Statements and all related information must be bound, and signed and acknowledged by the Respondent.

SECTION 5
EVALUATION

The City's objective in soliciting Qualification Statements is to enable it to select a Respondent that will provide high quality and cost effective services to the citizens of Jersey City. The City will consider Qualification Statements only from Respondents that, in the City's sole judgment, have demonstrated the capability and willingness to provide high quality services to the citizens of the City in the manner described in this RFQ.

Qualification statements will be evaluated by the City and Qualified Respondents will be selected based on the evaluation factors set forth below:

1. Experience and reputation in the field;
2. Knowledge of the City's Law Department;
3. Availability to accommodate the required meetings of the City;
4. Experience in the areas of law described in Section 2 of this RFQ;
5. Pertinent government experience; and
6. Other factors demonstrated to be in the best interests of the City.

Each Qualification Statement must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ.

The City will select the most advantageous Qualification Statements based on all of the evaluation factors set forth in this RFQ.

Each Qualification Statement must satisfy the objectives and requirements detailed in this RFQ. Successful Respondents shall be determined by an evaluation of the total content of the Qualification Statement submitted. The City reserves the right to:

1. not select any of the Qualification Statements;
2. award a contract for the requested services at any time within the qualification period. Every Qualification Statement should be valid through this time period.

The City shall not be obligated to explain the results of the evaluation process to any Respondent.

SECTION 6

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. The City reserves the right to reject any or all Qualification Statements, if necessary, or to waive any informalities in the Qualification Statements, and, unless otherwise specified by the Respondent, to accept any item, items or services in the Qualification statement should it be deemed in the best interest of the City to do so.
2. Each Qualification Statement must be signed by the person authorized to do so.
3. Qualification Statements may be hand delivered or mailed consistent with the provisions of the legal notice to Respondents. In the case of mailed Qualification Statements, the City assumes no responsibility for Qualification Statements received after the designated date and time and will return late Qualification Statements unopened. Qualification Statements will not be accepted by facsimile or e-mail.
4. In accordance with Affirmative Action Law, P.L. 1975/ c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) with implementation of July 10/ 1978, successful Respondents must agree to submit individual employer certifications and numbers or complete Affirmative Action employee information report (form AA-3 02). Also, during the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows: (a) The contractor or subcontractor where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status or affectional or sexual orientation.

The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or handicap. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion or transfer, recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and section for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notice to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause: (b) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex or handicap; (c) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or worker's representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice; (d) the contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the treasurer pursuant to the P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

5. No Respondent shall influence, or attempt to influence, or cause to be influenced, any City officer or employee to use his/her official capacity in any manner which might tend to impair the objectivity or independence of judgment of said officer or employee.

6. No Respondent shall cause or influence, or attempt to cause or influence, any City officer or employee to use his/her official capacity to secure unwarranted privileges or advantages for the respondents or any other person.

7. Should any difference arise between the contracting parties as to the meaning or intent of these instructions or specifications, the City attorney's decision shall be final and conclusive.

8. The City shall not be responsible for any expenditure of monies or other expenses incurred by the Respondent in making its proposal.

9. The award of a contract will be subject to Jersey City's "Contractor Pay-to-Play Reform" Ordinance 08-128 adopted on Sept. 3, 2008.

10. Pursuant to N.J.S.A 52:32-44, Respondents should submit a copy of their Business Registration Certificate with their Qualification Statement.

END OF GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

CITY OF JERSEY CITY

VENDOR: _____

**RESPONDENT'S
CHECKLIST**

Item	Respondent Initials	AA/EEO Review
A. Non-Collusion Affidavit properly notarized		
B. Public Disclosure Statement		
C. Mandatory Affirmative Action Language		
D. Americans with Disabilities Act		
E. Affirmative Action Compliance Notice		
F. MWBE Questionnaire (2 copies)		
G. Form AA302 -- Employee Information Report		
H. Business Registration Certificate		
I. Original signature(s) on all required forms.		

NON COLLUSION AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
CITY OF JERSEY CITY ss:

I certify that I am of

the firm of

the bidder making the proposal for the above named project, and that I executed the said proposal with full authority so to do; that said bidder has not, directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above named project; and that all statements contained in said proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the City of Jersey City relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said project.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by (N.J.S.A. 52: 34-25)

(Signature of respondent) _____

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN TO
BEFORE ME THIS DAY

OF 20

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF
AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE) _____

NOTARY PUBLIC OF
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20 .

**(NOTE: THIS FORM MUST BE COMPLETED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED
WITH THIS PROPOSAL).**

PUBLIC DISCLOSURE INFORMATION

Chapter 33 of the Public Laws of 1977 provides that no Corporation or Partnership shall be awarded any State, City, Municipal or Schools District contracts for the performance of any work or the furnishing of any materials or supplies, unless prior to the receipt of the bid or accompanying the bid of said corporation or partnership there is submitted a public disclosure information statement. The statement shall set forth the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation or partnership who own ten percent (10%) or more of its stock of any class, or of all individual partners in the partnership who own a ten percent (10%) or greater interest therein.

PLEASE UTILIZE SEPARATE SHEET WITH HEADINGS IF NECESSARY
STOCKHOLDERS:

Name	Address	% owned
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SIGNATURE : _____

TITLE: _____

SUBSCRIBED

AND SWORN TO

BEFORE ME THIS DAY

OF 20

(TYPE OR PRINT NAME OF
AFFIANT UNDER SIGNATURE)

NOTARY PUBLIC OF

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: 20 .

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EEO/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION REQUIREMENTS

Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts

Questions in reference to EEO/AA Requirements For Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts should be directed to:

Jeana F. Abuan
Affirmative Action Officer, Public Agency Compliance Officer
Department of Administration
Office of Equal Opportunity/Affirmative action
280 Grove Street Room-103
Jersey City NJ 07302
Tel. #201-547- 4533
Fax# 201-547-5088
E-mail Address: abuanJ@jcnj.org

EXHIBIT A

MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE N.J.S.A. 10:5-36 et seq; N.J.A.C. 17:27

Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Except with respect to affectional or sexual orientation and gender identity or expression, the contractor will ensure that equal employment opportunity is afforded to such applicants in recruitment and employment, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity, or expression, disability, nationality or sex. Such equal employment opportunity shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, affectional or sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, nationality or sex.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative or workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-36 et seq., as amended and

The undersigned vendor certifies on their company's receipt, knowledge and commitment to comply with:

EXHIBIT A
N.J.S.A. 10:5-36 and N.J.A.C. 17:27
MANDATORY EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY LANGUAGE
Goods, Professional Services and General Service Contracts
(Mandatory Affirmative Action Language)

The undersigned vendor further agrees to furnish the required forms of evidence and understands that their contract/company's bid shall be rejected as non-responsive if said contractor fails to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 .

Representative's Name/Title (Print): _____

Representative's Signature: _____

Name of Company: _____

Tel. No.: _____ **Date:** _____

Sample Federal Letter of Approval

U.S. Department of Labor

Employment Standards Administration
Office of Federal Control Compliance Programs
Newark Area Office
124 Evergreen Place, Fourth Floor
East Orange, NJ 07108



February 27, 20__

Dear

Our recent compliance review of your establishment's equal employment opportunity policies and practices was completed on February 27, 20__.

We found no apparent deficiencies or violations of Executive Order 11266, as amended, Section 503 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 or 38 USC 2012 (the Vietnam Era Veterans Readjustment Assistance Act). Accordingly, your establishment is deemed to be in compliance with these laws based on the material reviewed.

The Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs sincerely appreciates the cooperation and courtesies extended by you and your staff during the conduct of the compliance review.

Sincerely,

Area Office Director.

SAMPLE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT

This is to certify that the contractor Robert [redacted] has submitted an Employee Information Report pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.1 et seq. and the State Treasurer has approved said report. This approval will remain in effect for the period of _____.



VOID



State Treasurer

VOID



STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Division of Public Contracts Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance

DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT REQUEST

IMPORTANT- FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$75.00 FEE (Non-Refundable)
MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE OF EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT.

SECTION A - COMPANY IDENTIFICATION

1. FID. NO. OR SOCIAL SECURITY	2. ASSIGNED CERTIFICATION NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE

3. COMPANY NAME

4. STREET CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE

5. REASON FOR REQUEST OF DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

☐ 1. Lost Certificate ☐ 2. Damaged ☐ 3. Other (Specify)

SECTION B - SIGNATURE AND IDENTIFICATION

6. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE MO DAY YEAR

7. ADDRESS NO. & STREET CITY COUNTY STATE ZIP CODE PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)

I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

SECTION C - OFFICIAL USE ONLY

RECEIVED DATE:	DIVISION OF REVENUE DLN #:

INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE REQUEST

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for, or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Enter the Certificate Number that was assigned to your company along with the Issue Date and Expiration Date (if available).

ITEM 3 - Enter the name by which the company is identified.

ITEM 4 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 5 - Enter the reason for requesting a Duplicate Certificate of Employee Information Report.

ITEM 6 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 7 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

RETAIN A COPY OF THIS REQUEST FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES AND FORWARD ONE COPY WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF
\$75.00 (Non-Refundable Fee) PAYABLE TO "THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY" TO:

NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Public Contracts
Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
PO Box 206

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206

Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

PLEASE ALLOW 15 BUSINESS DAYS FOR PROCESSING THE DUPLICATE CERTIFICATE

**RENEWAL PACKAGE
FOR CERTIFICATE OF
EMPLOYEE
INFORMATION REPORT**



State of New Jersey

CHRIS CHRISTIE
Governor
KIM GUADAGNO
Lt. Governor

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
DIVISION OF PUBLIC CONTRACTS
EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY
COMPLIANCE
P.O. BOX 209
TRENTON, NJ 08625-0209

ANDREW P. SIDAMON-ERISTOFF
State Treasurer

RENEWAL NOTICE

The Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereinafter referred to as the "State Certificate") issued by this Division is due to expire within the next 90 days. In order for your firm to continue to provide a current State Certificate for public contract awards, you must apply for renewal by properly completing the following renewal documents:

1. The Employee Information Report Form AA-302 for the facility indicated on the "State Certificate" and any additional New Jersey facilities, with a check in the amount of **\$150.00** payable to **"the Treasurer, State of New Jersey"** (fee is non-refundable) and
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Report forms, one for each of the four (4) personnel activities noted (new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations etc.) for the previous "State Certificate" period, or
3. If you are operating under a federally approved affirmative action plan, a photocopy of the letter of Federal Approval issued by the US Department of Labor, Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, not greater than one year old, may be submitted to the awarding agency in lieu of the State Certificate. Please do not submit an EEO-1 Report as it will not be accepted.

All goods, service and professional service vendors are encouraged to complete and file these renewal documents electronically by accessing the Division's website at www.state.nj.us/treasury/contract_compliance. This website provides access to the Forms in electronic format or on-line internet submission registration via the internet. Or you may call the Division at (609) 292-5473 and a representative will be available to assist you. Please have your certificate number ready when calling. Your certificate number is noted at the end of your company name on your mailing label.

Upon receipt of the above-referenced documents, the Division will approve or reject your application within sixty (60) days of submission. If your application is approved, the Division will issue a Certificate provided your firm meets the standards of good faith compliance with the Affirmative Action Regulations set forth in N.J.A.C. 17:27-1.1 et seq. Periodic reviews may be conducted and additional information may be requested, as required by the Division. In all instances, however, a copy of the Certificate must be presented to the public agency awarding the contract, prior to the award of the contract.

(AA-02 Rev. Mar-10)

**NEW INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING THE
EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT (FORM AA302) RENEWAL
DISREGARD INSTRUCTIONS ON PRE-PRINTED FORM REV. 1/00**

IMPORTANT: READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY BEFORE COMPLETING THE FORM. PRINT OR TYPE ALL INFORMATION. FAILURE TO PROPERLY COMPLETE THE ENTIRE FORM AND TO SUBMIT THE REQUIRED \$150.00 FEE MAY DELAY ISSUANCE OF YOUR CERTIFICATE. DO NOT COMPLETE THIS FORM FOR CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT AWARDS.

ITEM 1 - Enter the Federal Identification Number assigned by the Internal Revenue Service, or if a Federal Employer Identification Number has been applied for or if your business is such that you have not or will not receive a Federal Employer Identification Number, enter the Social Security Number of the owner or of one partner, in the case of a partnership.

ITEM 2 - Check the box appropriate to your TYPE OF BUSINESS. If you are engaged in more than one type of business check the predominate one. If you are a manufacturer deriving more than 50% of your receipts from your own retail outlets, check "Retail".

ITEM 3 - Enter the total "number" of employees in the entire company, including part-time employees. This number shall include all facilities in the entire firm or corporation.

ITEM 4 - Enter the name by which the company is identified. If there is more than one company name, enter the predominate one.

ITEM 5 - Enter the physical location of the company. Include City, County, State and Zip Code.

ITEM 6 - Enter the name of any parent or affiliated company including the City, County, State and Zip Code. If there is none, so indicate by entering "None" or N/A.

ITEM 7 - Check the box appropriate to your type of company establishment. "Single-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at only one physical location. "Multi-establishment Employer" shall include an employer whose business is conducted at more than one location.

ITEM 8 - If "Multi-establishment" was entered in item 8, enter the number of establishments within the State of New Jersey.

ITEM 9 - Enter the total number of employees at the establishment being awarded the contract.

ITEM 10 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 11 - Enter the appropriate figures on all lines and in all columns. THIS SHALL ONLY INCLUDE EMPLOYMENT DATA FROM THE FACILITY THAT IS BEING AWARDED THE CONTRACT. DO NOT list the same employee in more than one job category. DO NOT attach an EEO-1 Report.

Racial/Ethnic Groups will be defined:

Black: Not of Hispanic origin. Persons having origin in any of the Black racial groups of Africa.

Hispanic: Persons of Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or Central or South American or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.

American Indian or Alaskan Native: Persons having origins in any of the original peoples of North America, and who maintain cultural identification through tribal affiliation or community recognition.

Asian or Pacific Islander: Persons having origin in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, the Indian Sub-continent or the Pacific Islands. This area includes for example, China, Japan, Korea, the Phillippine Islands and Samoa.

Non-Minority: Any Persons not identified in any of the aforementioned Racial/Ethnic Groups.

ITEM 12 - Check the appropriate box. If the race or ethnic group information was not obtained by 1 or 2, specify by what other means this was done in 3.

ITEM 13 - Enter the dates of the payroll period used to prepare the employment data presented in Item 12.

ITEM 14 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 15 - Not Applicable.

ITEM 16 - Print or type the name of the person completing the form. Include the signature, title and date.

ITEM 17 - Enter the physical location where the form is being completed. Include City, State, Zip Code and Phone Number.

TYPE OR PRINT IN SHARP BALL POINT PEN

THE VENDOR IS TO COMPLETE THE EMPLOYEE INFORMATION REPORT RENEWAL FORM (AA302) AND RETAIN THE PINK COPY FOR THE VENDOR'S OWN FILES. FORWARD THE REMAINING TWO (2) WHITE AND CANARY COPIES WITH A CHECK IN THE AMOUNT OF \$150.00 PAYABLE TO THE TREASURER, STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

NJ Department of the Treasury
Division of Public Contracts
Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance
P.O. Box 206

Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0206

Telephone No. (609) 292-5473

I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

INSTRUCTIONS

VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORTS

1. You should complete 4 blank Vendor Activity Summary Reports with your AA-302, Employee Information Report Renewal Application package. These 4 Reports are to be completed for new hires, promotions, transfers and terminations that took place between the time you received your Certificate of Employee Information Report (hereafter referred to as "Certificate") and the date of your Renewal Application.
2. The Vendor Activity Summary Reports must be completed to show your firm's total personnel actions for the previous Certificate period. For example, if your firm renews its Certificate every 3 years, one of the reports should indicate the total number of people hired during the entire 3-year period during which you held the Certificate. Another report should indicate the total number of people terminated during that 3-year period. The third report should indicate the total number of people transferred during that 3-year period and the final report should indicate the total number of people promoted during that 3-year period. Please note, there is no need to re-state the information provided on the AA-302 form.

 STATE OF NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
 Division of Contract Compliance & Equal Employment Opportunity
 VENDOR ACTIVITY SUMMARY REPORT
☐ NEW HIRES ☐ PROMOTIONS ☐ TRANSFERS ☐ TERMINATIONS (CHECK (X) APPROPRIATE ACTIVITY)

CERTIFICATE NO. _____ DATES OF PAYROLL PERIOD USED: FROM _____ TO _____
 NAME OF FACILITY: _____

Street _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

JOB CATEGORIES	MALE					FEMALE						
	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM. Indian	Asian	Non-Min.	Total	Black	Hispanic	AM. Indian	Asian	Non-Min.
OFFICIALS & MANAGERS												
PROFESSIONALS												
TECHNICIANS												
SALES WORKERS												
OFFICE & CLERICAL												
CRAFTWORKERS												
OPERATIVES												
LABORERS												
SERVICE WORKERS												
TOTAL												

I certify that the information on this Form is true and correct.

NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type) _____ SIGNATURE _____ DATE SUBMITTED _____
 LAST FIRST MI

ADDRESS (NO. & STREET) _____ (CITY) _____ (STATE) _____ (ZIP) _____ PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION) _____

APPENDIX A
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990
Equal Opportunity for Individuals with Disability

The contractor and the _____ of _____, (hereafter "owner") do hereby agree that the provisions of Title 11 of the Americans With Disabilities Act of 1990 (the "Act") (42 U.S.C. S121 01 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of disability by public entities in all services, programs, and activities provided or made available by public entities, and the rules and regulations promulgated pursuant there unto, are made a part of this contract. In providing any aid, benefit, or service on behalf of the owner pursuant to this contract, the contractor agrees that the performance shall be in strict compliance with the Act. In the event that the contractor, its agents, servants, employees, or subcontractors violate or are alleged to have violated the Act during the performance of this contract, the contractor shall defend the owner in any action or administrative proceeding commenced pursuant to this Act. The contractor shall indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner, its agents, servants, and employees from and against any and all suits, claims, losses, demands, or damages, of whatever kind or nature arising out of or claimed to arise out of the alleged violation. The contractor shall, at its own expense, appear, defend, and pay any and all charges for legal services and any and all costs and other expenses arising from such action or administrative proceeding or incurred in connection therewith. In any and all complaints brought pursuant to the owner's grievance procedure, the contractor agrees to abide by any decision of the owner which is rendered pursuant to said grievance procedure. If any action or administrative proceeding results in an award of damages against the owner, or if the owner incurs any expense to cure a violation of the ADA which has been brought pursuant to its grievance procedure, the contractor shall satisfy and discharge the same at its own expense.

The owner shall, as soon as practicable after a claim has been made against it, give written notice thereof to the contractor along with full and complete particulars of the claim. If any action or administrative proceeding is brought against the owner or any of its agents, servants, and employees, the *owner shall* expeditiously forward or have forwarded to the contractor every demand, complaint, notice, summons, pleading, or other process received by the owner or its representatives.

It is expressly agreed and understood that any approval by the owner of the services provided by the contractor pursuant to this contract will not relieve the contractor of the obligation to comply with the Act and to defend, indemnify, protect, and save harmless the owner pursuant to this paragraph.

It is further agreed and understood that the owner assumes no obligation to indemnify or save harmless the contractor, its agents, servants, employees and subcontractors for any claim which may arise out of their performance of this Agreement. Furthermore, the contractor expressly understands and agrees that the provisions of this indemnification clause shall in no way limit the contractor's obligations assumed in this Agreement, nor shall they be construed to relieve the contractor from any liability, nor preclude the owner from taking any other actions available to it under any other provisions of the Agreement or otherwise at law.

Representative's Name/Title (Print): _____

Representative's Signature: _____

Name of Company: _____

Tel. No.: _____ **Date:** _____

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Questionnaire for Bidders**

Jersey City Ordinance C-829 establishes a goal of awarding 20% of the dollar amount of total city procurement to minority and woman owned business enterprises.

To assist us in monitoring our achievement of this goal, please indicate below whether your company is or is not a minority owned and/or woman owned business, and return this form with your bid proposal.

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone No. : _____

Contact Name: _____

Please check applicable category:

_____ Minority Owned Business (MBE)

_____ Minority & Woman Owned
Business (MWBE)

_____ Woman Owned business (WBE)

_____ Neither

Definitions

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OFFICE OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITY/AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (N.J.S.A. 52:32-44)
MANDATORY BUSINESS REGISTRATION LANGUAGE

Non Construction Contracts

P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Chapter 57) amends and supplements the business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:32-44 which impose certain requirements upon a business competing for, or entering into a contract with a local contracting agency whose contracting activities are subject to the requirements of the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-2).

"New Jersey Business Registration Requirements"

The contractor shall provide written notice to its subcontractors of the responsibility to submit proof of business registration to the contractor.

Before final payment on the contract is made by the contracting agency, the contractor shall submit an accurate list and the proof of business registration of each subcontractor or supplier used in the fulfillment of the contract, or shall attest that no subcontractors were used.

For the term of the contract, the contractor and each of its affiliates and a subcontractor and each of its affiliates [N.J.S.A. 52:32-44(g)(3)] shall collect and remit to the Director, New Jersey Division of Taxation, the use tax due pursuant to the Sales and Use Tax Act on all sales of tangible personal property delivered into this State, regardless of whether the tangible personal property is intended for a contract with a contracting agency.

A business organization that fails to provide a copy of a business registration as required pursuant to section of P.L.2001, c.134 (C.52:32-44 et al.) or subsection e. or f. of section 92 of P.L.1977, c.110 (C.5:12-92), or that

provides false business registration information under the requirements of either of those sections, shall be liable for a penalty of \$25 for each day of violation, not to exceed \$50,000 for each business registration copy not properly provided under a contract with a contracting agency."

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE
FOR STATE AGENCY AND GAMING SERVICE CONTRACTOR**

TAXPAYER NAME: TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT

TAX REGISTRATION TEST ACCOUNT

TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION: 879-087-483/000

ADDRESS: 647 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON, NJ 08611

ISSUANCE DATE: 08/14/04

CERTIFICATE NUMBER: 1093907

John S. Tully

This Certificate is NOT valid until the taxpayer has been approved by the State of New Jersey. It must be displayed at the place of business.

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
BUSINESS REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE**

Taxpayer Name: TAX REG TEST ACCOUNT

Trade Name:

Address: 647 ROEBLING AVE
TRENTON, NJ 08611

Certificate Number: 1093907

Date of Issuance: October 14, 2004

For Office Use Only:
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16. NAME OF PERSON COMPLETING FORM (Print or Type)		SIGNATURE		TITLE		DATE MO DAY YEAR	
17. ADDRESS NO. & STREET		CITY	COUNTY	STATE	ZIP CODE	PHONE (AREA CODE, NO., EXTENSION)	